

NAME: Nagaishi Nobu DATE OF BIRTH: 1896 PLACE OF BIRTH: Saga-ken
Age: 82 Sex: F Marital Status: w Education: 6 yrs

PRE-WAR:

Date of arrival in U.S.: 1919 Age: 23 M.S. P.B. Port of entry: San Fran.
Occupation/s: 1. Farmer's wife 2. _____ 3. _____
Place of residence: 1. Huntington Beach 2. _____ 3. _____
Religious affiliation: Christian church
Community organizations/activities: _____

EVACUATION:

Name of assembly center: Husband interned in Tahanga, Santa Fe.
Name of relocation center: PBston, Arizona
Dispensation of property: Pulled house to friend Names of bank/s: Specie Bank
Jobs held in camp: 1. Dish washer (wife) 2. Cleaning toilets (husband after
Jobs held outside of camp: _____ coming from Santa Fe)
Left camp to go to: Huntington Beach

POST-WAR:

Date returned to West Coast: _____
Address/es: 1. Huntington Beach 2. Adams
3. Fountain Valley
Religious affiliation: Christian church
Activities: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
If deceased, date, place and age at time of death: Husband died in '69

Name of interviewer: Takarabe Date: 2/13/78 Place: Fountain Valley, Ca.

Translator: unlisted

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T: Please tell me your name?

N: My name is Nobu Nagaishi.

Q: Where were you born?

A: I was born in Saga Prefecture.

Q: When were you born?

A: I was born in 1896.

Q: How old are you now?

A: I am 82 years old now.

Q: What kind of a man was your father?

A: My parents were separated before I was born.

Q: Didn't you know your father then?

A: No, I didn't. My mother's brother brought me up, and I called him father, so I was not lonely.

Q: Did your mother live with you?

A: She lived with me until I was 7 or 8 years old. As my mother was still young my grandmother wanted her to get married, so grandmother and uncle brought me up.

Q: Did your mother remarry?

A: Yes, she married Mr. Nagaishi^{my husband's father} when she was 32 or 33 years old.

Q: Did you go with her?

A: I stayed with my uncle whom I regarded as my father.

Q: What do you remember about your childhood?

A: I remember that one day while I was playing with my friends, someone came to tell me that a man wanted to see me. When I went there he asked me if I wanted to go with him. I ran away from him and went back to my friends. That was my real father. He lived not too far away from where my mother lived. I think he came to see me when he visited his woman in Shimabara. Since then nobody told me about my father. As I had an uncle whom I considered as a father I did not have any doubt. This uncle loved me very much.

Q: What kind of fun did you have when you were little?

A: My neighbor's mother was in the same class as my husband's sister, so they walked to school together. After my mother married Mr. Nagaishi I stayed at her place one or two nights a year, but I did not want to stay there long so I walked back to my home.

How about your schooling?

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A: In those days children started going to school at age 7, but as my parents were separated and my name was not entered in the family register I could not go to school. I wanted to go to school so badly that I cried for about 10 days. Finally my grandmother who knew the principal of the school went to ask him to enroll me in the school. The principal enrolled me but he said he would drop me if the school was too hard for me. I went to junior high for 2 years after the elementary school.

Q: Did you like school?

A: Yes, I did. My grandmother and uncle wanted me to stay in school but when I was in the 2nd year of junior high school another uncle said that I did not have to go to school when the family is poor, and made me quit the school. After that I lived at a relation's house for 7 years. They took good care of me there, also.

Q: What did you do during the 7 years?

A: They were my relations but were wealthy. I took care of their children and helped with the housework. They had only one child so the lady of the house wanted me as her daughter, but she died when I was in the 4th grade of elementary school. Then the second wife came to the family. I went there and took care of children and ran errands. I stayed there until I was about 23 years old.

Q: Do you have any bitter memories?

A: No, I don't. They were good to me in that family, too. I never became ill and obeyed others. I . . . never had a hard time. Since I was little I was taken care^{of} in different families as my uncle and grandmother could not take care of me.

Q: How were you registered?

A: I was registered as an adopted daughter of my uncle.

Q: How many children did your uncle have?

A: He had two children.

Q: Were they boys or girls?

A: One was a boy and the other was a girl.

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Q: Were they younger than you?

A: Yes, they were. As the boy was 5 years younger than I he called me 'sis' and loved me.

Q: How did it come about that you came to America?

A: As my mother was married to Nagaishi's father it was best that her daughter marry her husband's son.

Q: Who decided on the marriage?

A: It was decided among the family. When my mother asked me if I would go to America I answered, "If you want me to I will."

Q: Where were your husband, then?

A: He was in America.

Q: Whereabout in America was he?

A: He was at Huntington Beach.

Q: What was he doing then?

A: He was farming.

Q: Have you ever seen your husband before?

A: When I was about 10 years old he went to Mexico. From there he smuggled into America. Ten years after that I came here.

Q: Did he go back to Japan to pick you up?

A: No, I came here as a picture bride.

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Q: Did you see his photograph?

A: Yes, he sent it to me. When he went to Mexico I saw him off.

I was about 10 years old then.

Q: Then you have seen him before, haven't you?

A: Yes, I have, but I was only about 10 years old then.

Q: What kind of preparation did you do when you left Japan?

A: I did not have to take any clothes as I was not going to wear Japanese clothes in America. He sent me \$500 for traveling expense but it was not enough. I did not have tachoma but I had bloodshot eyes so I went to an eye doctor for about half a year. I brought 50 yen as show money when I came here. After we arrived in San Francisco we sent the deficit to Nagaishi's father. Through a relative I received a letter from my real father telling me that when he heard from his relative that I was coming to America he wanted to see me off at Nagasaki, but as his mother was in bed with stroke he could not. He said that he did not do anything for me as a father so I did not have to consider him as my father, but he wanted me to be good to Nagaishi's father. He asked me to write a letter to him just once, but when I told my husband he said 'no' so I did not write to him.

Q: How old were you when you came here?

A: I was 23 years old.

Q: What do you remember about your voyage?

A: As there were many picture brides on board the ship we played games.

Q: What kind of games did you play?

A: Women line up and men call the names of women. We pretended that they were the husbands who came to meet their wives in San Francisco. In those days there were so many picture brides that I could not get on board the ship right away.

Q: What else do you remember about the voyage?

A: I remember helping at the kitchen peeling potatoe once.

Q: Did you have fun?

A: We could eat potatoe then. We slept on hammocks.

Q: How were the meals?

A: I must have strong stomach as I don't think I got seasick once. I was fine all through the voyage. I thought we were going to be taken to the Angel Island, but as the Immigration Office was overcrowded we landed without going to the Angel Island. As it was on Memorial Day and the Japanese Consulate was closed, my husband had to wait a day, so I arrived in San Francisco before he did. That night I stayed at Fukuoka-Ya Hotel. My husband came the following day.

Q: Were you worried as your husband was not there to meet you?

A: No, I wasn't. His two friends were with me so I was not worried.

Q: How did you feel when you saw your husband for the first time?

A: I did not have any special feeling. As he had written to me telling me that I have to work hard, I knew I had to work hard.

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Q: Did you think that was the man you have to live with for the rest of your life?

A: No, I didn't know anything then. In those days many people wanted to come to America, but not many people from Saga Prefecture went abroad. I think I was the only woman who came to America from my village. From San Francisco we went to Los Angeles by a night train.

Q: How did you feel when you arrived in San Francisco?

A: I don't know now.

Q: What do you remember about the city of San Francisco?

A: It was very foggy. About a day I stayed at a couple who had a restaurant in San Francisco and went sightseeing.

Q: How did you feel when you saw the white people?

A: I did not see any white people.

Q: Did you think the city was beautiful?

A: It was different from Japan so I did not know what was beautiful. I thought tiled-roofed house in Japan was beautiful but I didn't know what was beautiful in America.

Q: How was the train ride?

A: I did not get train sick.

Q: Whereabout in Los Angeles did you go to?

A: I think we stayed at Japan Town.

Q: Did you come to Huntington Beach?

A: Yes, we did. We came here from Los Angeles by a street car.

Q: What was your husband growing?

A: He was growing lima beans and sugar beets. He had 9 horses. The grandmother of the landlord had one mile square lot in Huntington Beach which she divided among 6 children. My husband worked there.

Q: Did he sharecrop?

A: He did some, and also leased land by cash.

Q: Did you work in the field, too?

A: Yes, from the day after I arrived there. There was so much clothes to wash that my hands became red by washing clothes. I am thankful that I was healthy.

Q: About what time did you start working in the morning?

A: My husband had to feed hay to horses, so I opened the gate with a lantern in my hand. Then I cooked breakfast. In those days one or two people came to America from my village, but one of them happened to be working with my husband. His uncle was a teacher of my school. I was very surprised.

Q: Did your husband hire people?

A: He had only one permanent helper, but at harvest time he had a few more helpers.

Q: About how many years did he do that?

A: He continued it for about 5 years until he became ill.

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Q: How big was the land?

A: It was 60 to 70 acres.

Q: What did you do after you get up early and cooked breakfast?

A: I went out in the field and picked weeds.

Q: What did you do after that?

A: I came home and fixed lunch.

Q: Did you go back out in the afternoon?

A: Yes, I did.

Q: What about night time?

A: After I cooked and had supper I went to bed.

Q: When did you do your laundry?

A: Whenever I had time.

Q: Did you wash in the daytime or at night?

A: People with children washed at night, too, but people without children did not have to do that.

Q: About what time did you go to bed?

A: In those days we did not have electricity, so we went to bed around 9 or 10. We did not have electricity but we had telephone. Then we went to Garfield and stayed there for 6 to 7 years.

Q: How many years did you live in Huntington Beach?

A: We lived there till we came here a little over 4 years ago.

Q: There was Depression, wasn't there?

A: Yes, at that time my husband was serving as the president of
Smelza Japanese Association.

Q: Weren't you hard up?

A: No, we managed to live on our money.

Q: Were there people who were hard up?

A: There might have been, but I don't know of any.

Q: What kind of difficulties did you have when you first came here?

A: I did not experience any hardships. As long as we worked we could
make a living. A few years later we sold the horses and changed to
a tractor. I am thankful we did not experience hardships.

Q: Did your husband moved to different lots, owned by the landlord?

A: Yes, he did. Not like today, there were many vacant lots so he
leased piece of land he liked.

Q: Did he lease from the same landlord?

A: Not always the same landlord.

Q: Did he do that until you went to camp?

A: Yes, he did.

Q: Then were you financially well off?

A: Yes. As we did not have children we deposited the money in the
Specie Bank so it was frozen when the war broke out.

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Q: How did you feel when the war broke out?

A: The night the war broke out my housand was arrested.

Q: Were you surprised?

A: Six or seven people from our neighborhood was taken to Santa Ana jail.
They were resigned as it was the war.

Q: How did you feel when Pearl Harbor was attacked?

A: I didn't know if it was true or not. At that time we were growing
lots of celery. I was alone, but some people helped me so I could
take care of all of them.

Q: Was your husband taken away right away?

A: I heard that war broke out in the evening, and that night around
9 or 10 O'clock the policemen took him away.

Q: Where did they take him to?

A: I think they took him to the jail in Santa Ana.

Q: What happened after that?

A: After staying in the jail for ^a few days he was taken to Tahanga.
From Tahanga he was transferred to Montana. After staying in Montana
for a while he was taken to Louisiana, From there he went to Santa
Fe, where he stayed for a year or two.

Q: What did you do?

A: I went to Poston Arizona with other people.

Q: What did you do with your house?

A: I had my house moved to Mr. Cullens' yard.

Q: How did you have your house moved?

A: We had the ^{professional} people ^{and} pull the whole house ^{and} move it. When the war was over I came back to my house in Mr. Cullens' yard.

Q: Was he a kind man?

A: Yes, he was.

Q: Was he a landlord?

A: No, he wasn't. I think my husband worked for him when he was young and became good friends.

Q: What did you do during the stand still order was out?

A: I didn't have to go out as I was not farming. After he was taken to Tahanga I was told to bring warm clothes when I visit him, so I visited him with a friend. At one time someone came and told me that if I bring \$200 in cash they would release my husband, so I did, but it was a hoax and I lost the money.

Q: Who took the money?

A: I don't know who.

Q: Did he come to your house?

A: He came with one of the neighbors. I lost \$200 in cash then.

Q: What did you do all alone?

A: Mr. Yamane had four sons, so one of the sons came and stayed with me and he and I farmed. A friend of mine's daughter came and helped me cook meals. I did not suffer any inconveniences.

Q: Did you and your husband work alone or did you hire people?

A: We hired dayworkers.

Q: About how many dayworkers did you hire?

A: We always had about 4, and when we were busy we hired more.

Q: Could you manage to use the dayworkers?

A: They understood my broken Spanish.

Q: Weren't you scared?

A: No, as we were settled there people knew us.

Q: When you went to camp didn't you take anything?

A: We could not take too many things. We were farming ⁱusing Mr. Nagamatsu's name.

Q: Were you surprised when you had to evacuate?

A: No, I wasn't, as everybody was going.

Q: Did you pack your belongings?

A: Yes, I packed everything in a big crate. As I could not find suitcase in stores in Santa Ana I made boxes and packed things in them.

Q: Did you take those boxes with you?

A: A Mexican who used to work at our place took them to where we got on the bus in Huntington Beach that morning.

Q: What did you do with your house?

A: I had my house pulled to Mr. Cullens' es yard.

Q: What did you do with your furniture?

A: They were in the house.

Q: Did you go to an assembly center?

A: We went to the City Hall in Huntington Beach a few days earlier.

Q: Did you go straight to Poston from there?

A: Yes, we did.

Q: Were you worried about your husband?

A: No, I wasn't.

Q: Did you think he was safe?

A: Yes, because other people were with him.

Q: Did you take a train to Poston?

A: No, we went by buses.

Q: About how long did it take to get there?

A: We left Huntington Beach around 6 o'clock in the morning, and arrived in Poston around 5 or 6 o'clock of that evening.

Q: Was it uncomfortable on the bus?

A: No, it wasn't. We were given boxed lunch.

Q: Who made them for you?

A: I don't know but I think the government did. I was better off taken to the camp than staying home alone. Life in camp was good, too.

Q: In what way was it good?

A: I had a job as a dishwasher and was paid \$16 a month. I enjoyed buying things with that money. I didn't know at first but by the end I learned flower arrangement and sewing, and on my day off I had my lunch packed at the kitchen and went to the wood to pick up stones. I had fun.

Q: What kind of stone did you find?

A: At first I didn't know what kind of stones to pick up, so I picked up red stones but by and by I became good at finding agate. They were heavy and we had to walk 4 miles back to the camp with them.

Q: How big were the agate?

A: Agates were hard to find, so I found this kind of thing.

Q: This is a fossil, isn't it?

A: Yes, it is.

Q: Did you go looking for this kind of thing?

A: I found agate, too. This is agate.

Q: What did you do with them? Did you polish them?

A: I just collected them for fun. It was really fun.

Q: Do you like collecting these things?

A: It was fun to go looking for them. These are fossils of shells.

Q: Did you spend a whole day on the hill?

A: It was so hot there that we could not go there after May. The last time I went there I picked up the knobs of trees.

Q: How did you learn to find these things?

A: On our day off once a week we went to the hill together.

Q: Did you get a pass to go out of camp?

A: No, we could go out without a pass.

Q: Did you cut the knob of the tree by yourself?

A: We had the professional men cut them.

Q: Did many people do this kind of thing?

A: Not everybody went out as it was hot.

Q: What other hobby did you have?

A: I learned flower arrangement. After my husband came back from Santa Fe he cleaned latrines in the school.

Q: When did he come back?

A: I don't remember.

Q: About how long were you separated? Was it about 2 years?

A: I don't know if it was 2 or 3 years. I don't know how long I was at Poston. Before we came back here permanently we came here to see how the situation was. Mr. Kanegae was back here earlier so we stayed at his house for a night or two. When we came back here Mr. Kanegae and Mr. Nagamatsu came to pick us up with Mr. Kanegae's truck. At that time the stones which were wrapped in paper burned as they were rubbed against each other. We had a gallon of water in a bottle standing by the stones. It caught fire and a spare tire on the truck was burned, but that was all the damage it had done.

Q: Was it because of water that you did not have any more damage?

A: No, the fire was started by the sunlight shining on the water. It is very dangerous. I had two such experiences. As the water was bad where I lived I used to get 4 or 5 gallon jugs full of water from my friend's when I went to town. One day while I was shopping the water jugs on the car started smoldering by the sunlight.

Q: Was there a fire?

A: When I opened the car door it was smoldering so I was surprised and had a car mechanic extinguish the fire for me.

Q: What else do you remember about Poston?

A: I learned tailoring and sewing.

Q: How about meals? Were there good?

A: As I was healthy I ate anything without complaint.

Q: The quarters were not too good, weren't they?

A: There were two layers of ceiling. They were all the same.

Q: Could you hear the neighbors' sound?

A: Yes, we could, but we knew each other.

Q: Were there entertainments in the camp?

A: Yes, there were.

Q: Did you enjoy them?

A: At one time I saw the play of Urashima Taro.

Q: Did you enjoy seeing it?

A: Yes, I did. Many people went to see the play.

Q: Were there snakes when you went looking for stones?

A: There were rattle snakes.

Q: Did you still go?

A: Yes, we would be all right if we are careful not to step on them.

When small racoons came out from the holes I was a bit scared as I was walking alone.

Q: Did you see a snake?

A: I saw rattle snakes many times. Mushrooms grew in the thicket along the Colorado River but as I did not eat them I only went to the hill.

Q: Were there some people who picked and ate them?

A: Yes, they picked mushrooms and ate them.

Q: What other fun did you have?

A: There was rice-pounding to make rice cakes.

Q: While your husband was away you were free to do anything, but were you less free after your husband came back?

A: No, not at all.

Q: Did you feel ill at ease for going to the hill?

A: After he came home he went to the hill with others. At one time when he came to Poston from Santa Fe on a week's leave he went hunting for stones. He was so happy when he found a fossile that I put it in front of his Buddhist altar.

I acted as a matchmaker while I was in the camp.

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Q: How did you do it?

A: There was a young man in my block who was said to be staying out late at night. I thought he was lonely as he was not married, so I found him a nice girl as his wife. They are happily married and are very thankful to me for matching them. Every year they come and visit me with presents. I told them not to bring presents but they say that as long as ^Ilive they would like to do that.

Q: How many couple did you match? Many?

A: Yes.

Q: Life in the camp was good for you, wasn't it?

A: Yes, it was. I did not have to worry about anything.

Q: Did you stay in Poston for a while after your husband came home?

A: Yes.

Q: What kind of work did your husband do in the camp?

A: He cleaned the latrines of the school. He received \$16 by doing that, and I received \$16 for washing dishes and we used that as our spending money, so we did not have to touch our money. There was plenty of food. Before the camp was closed there was so much food that they even served us sashimi although I didn't eat sashimi. We were treated with plenty of good food by the end.

Q: Were there any incident in the camp?

A: Yes, there was once.

Q: What kind of a riot was it?

A: It was not a riot. They put two men in a confinement and watched them.

Q: How did you answer the loyalty questions?

A: We were not questioned on loyalty. They just questioned ^{us} about the military draft, but as we did not have any children it didn't concern us.

Q: What would your husband's opinion be if you had a draft age son?

A: I don't know, but I think he had to go into service if he lived in America.

Q: Do you remember that a Nisei was beaten up in Poston?

A: I heard about it. People cut a lot of trees and brought them into the square by a tractor and made a bon-fire. It was fun. This square was near our quarter.

Q: Did they do that to keep the 'No, No' group of people from getting arrested?

A: Something like that, I think. There was a sumo wrestling match, too.

Q: Did your husband come from the camp to see his house?

A: He came to our house in Mr. Cullens' yard and stayed there for a few months. Mr. Nagamatsu^{had} left his land with Mr. Cullens, so when Mr. Nagamatsu came back Mr. Cullens returned it to him. I was leasing some land in Mr. Nagamatsu's name but I sold it to Mr. Cullens. At one time Mr. and Mrs. Cullens came to visit us at Poston and told us that fine beans grew on that land.

Q: Was Mr. Cullens a good man?

A: In those days Japanese did whatever the white people told us to do so we were in good terms with Mr. Cullens.

Q: Mr. Cullens made money off of you, didn't he?

A: Yes, he did. I think he was good to us as he made money. In those days we were farming about 65 acres. Mr. Cullens took the part where beans grew well but he did not want the part where beans did not grow well so we sold it to another man. We had already paid the cash for the rent, but the government paid us back the rent later.

Q: What did you do with the land you owned?

A: We did not own any land as we did not have children.

Q: Did you lease the land using your friend's name?

A: Yes, we did. If we had bought the land for about \$1,000 we could have sold it for \$25,000 to \$30,000 an acre now.

Q: But you couldn't buy the land, couldn't you?

A: We could not buy land as we did not have children. We had difficulties as we had money in the bank. People who did not have children like us did not have any money left.

Q: Did you deposit your money in the Japanese Specie Bank?

A: Yes, we did.

Q: Did you get the money you had deposited in the bank back?

A: We got them back but there was no interest.

Q: What about Sumitomo Bank?

A: They returned the money in Japanese yen. Those who had children became rich because they owned land.

Q: What did your husband do after he came back from the camp?

A: He got about 4 acres of land from Mr. Nagamatsu. At that time the price of celery was good so we did not lose money even though we had trouble with the Specie Bank. For a few years after we came back things were going well until my husband became ill.

Q: When did he become ill?

A: I think it was in 1951. He was in bed for over 18 years.

Q: When did he die?

A: He died in 1969. Thank goodness I didn't get sick, except at one time I had my hand ^acught in a washing machine. My landlord took me to the hospital and I was hospitalized for two nights.

Q: Was it after you came back from the camp?

A: Yes, after my husband became ill.

Q: What kind of illness did your husband have?

A: He had a stroke.

Q: What did you do with the field after he became ill?

A: I worked 5 years with a partner. I did not do any work but supplied money and the tools to the partner. I quit after that.

Q: Didn't you work after your husband became ill?

A: I just took care of him.

Q: Did you work till then?

A: Yes, I did.

Q: Did you have enough money saved up by then?

A: Yes, we had enough money for two of us to live on if ~~we~~ we did not get sick. He had ^{enough} land in Japan to live on, but it was taken away by Gen. MacArthur's land reform.

Q: Did you invest money to buy land in Japan?

A: No, we did not send any money to Japan. His parents told us not to send any money to Japan as they had enough to live on.

 husband
Q: Was your the only son?

A: Yes, he was.

Q: Did he have property in Japan?

A: Yes, he did. He had a younger sister who was married.

Q: What happened to his property in Japan?

A: It was confiscated by Gen. MacArthur's land reform. As both his parents died, his sister went to watch the house with her husband. As his sister did not have any children they adopted a child.

 your husband
Q: Was ill in bed for 18 years?

A: Yes. He became ill on Sept. 3 and died on September 12, so he was ill for 18 years and some days.

Q: Was he at home during that time?

A: When he collapsed he was hospitalized in Los Angeles for 3 months. The doctor used to come and see him, but he came late at night after he finished his work. As we felt sorry for the doctor, we changed to a doctor close by. Whenever I went to Los Angeles I wanted to see that doctor but I couldn't as I had to hurry home to my husband. About a week ago when I went to Los Angeles I happened to go by the doctor's office so I dropped in and said 'hello' to him.

Q: Was he a Japanese doctor?

A: Yes, his name was Dr. Goto.

Q: Could your husband talk after he was stricken with paralysis?

A: He did not even open his eyes for about 3 weeks. Then one day while he was in the Japanese hospital in Los Angeles I noticed his eyelid moved a little, so I told the doctor. I had been attending him all the time.

Q: Could he talk?

A: No, he couldn't. While he was in the hospital for 3 months he started talking a little.

Q: Did you bring him home after 3 months?

A: Yes, I did.

Q: It must have been hard to nurse him, wasn't it?

A: Yes, it was, but I didn't mind spending all the money we had.

Q: Didn't you have to feed him three times a day?

A: Not only that but I ^{had to} take care of him when he wanted to go to toilet.

Side 3 Q: Did you take any vacation during the 18 years?

A: No, I didn't. Rev. Ikeda invited me to go out with other senior citizens as a lady said she would take care of my husband, but I could not leave him. I told him that I did not feel like going out.

Q: Could you go shopping?

A: As I could drive, I went shopping by a car. I quit driving after

Q: Weren't you depressed taking care of the sick day and night for years?

A: Yes, but I didn't have any other worries. I lived in a white man's yard, and this man told me to grow some vegetable as I would be lonely. He was a nice man.

Q: Who was this man?

A: His name was Mr. Lamb. He was the son of the first landlord.

Q: Did you leave the house which was pulled to Mr. Cullens' yard?

A: We left there about 3 months after we came back from the camp.

Q: Did you leave the house there?

A: No, we had it pulled to another place. We had it moved twice.

When the house on Mr. Lamb's yard became vacant we moved there, so we burnt the old house. Firemen used it for ^a practice.

Q: Did you nurse your husband for 18 years while you were living at a house in Mr. Lamb's yard?

A: No, we were at Adams and after we moved to Mr. Lamb's we lived there for about 9 years.

Q: Did you move after your husband was stricken with paralysis?

A: Yes, we did twice.

Q: Was your husband in the house when they moved it?

A: I think so. They moved the house by a tractor in one day.

Q: Who helped you then?

A: People from Fukuoka Prefecture came and helped us.

Q: Who decided where to move the house to?

A: Mr. Nagamatsu and I decided that. I stayed at Bill Lamb's house for about 10 years. When Mr. Tanaka moved out from the house Bill Lamb's son brought a fish and told us that the house is vacant, so I asked Mr. Nagamatsu to tell him that we wanted to move there. Mr. Tanaka was renting the house for \$25 a month, but since Mr. Tanaka had built a garage we paid \$35 a month. Since Mr. Lamb's children have all grown up and left I think he wanted us to watch the yard.

Q: When did you become a member of the church?

A: In October of 1953.

Q: Have you been going to church for a long time?

A: Not that I like Christianity, but there was no Buddhist church around here, so 3 days after I came here I went to church to listen to a lecture by a woman. ^{Since then} I have been going to church at special occasions but I had no intention of becoming a Christian. Then Mr. Furuta wanted ~~me~~ to become Christian. I said I don't know anything, so he told me to read the Gospel of St. John. He told me to be baptized and I was baptized by Rev. Koda.

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